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REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

FOR PRESIDENT:

James G. Blaine,

OF MAINE.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT:

JOHN A. LOGAN,

OF ILLINOIS.

FOR GOVERNOR:

FREDERICK ROBIE,

OF VERMONT.

For Representatives in Congress:

NELSON DINGLEY, JR.,

OF MAINE.

For Presidential Electors:

JOHN S. CASE, of Rockland,

WILLIAM C. MILLER, of Portland.

First District—CHARLES M. MOSES, of Bangor.

Second District—J. G. RICHARDSON, of Bangor.

Third District—C. A. JOHNSON, of Bangor.

County Ticket.

For Senators:

HENRY M. BEARCE, of Norway.

ALFRED P. BOWEN, of Rockland.

For Judge of Probate:

GEORGE A. WILSON, of Paris.

For Register of Probate:

WILLIAM C. DAVIS, of Paris.

For Sheriff:

JORDAN STACY, of Paris.

For County Attorney:

JAMES S. WILSON, of Paris.

For County Treasurer:

JARVIS C. MARBLE, of Paris.

County Convention.

The Republican County Convention was called to order, at the Court House, Paris, Maine, Wednesday, July 2, by John F. Stanley, esq., who read the call, and presented the name of Hon. Waldo Pettengill of Rumford, as temporary chairman.

On taking the chair, Mr. Pettengill thanked the Convention for the honor conferred, and announced himself ready to proceed with business.

Charles Walter of Fryeburg and John R. Trask of Bangor, were chosen temporary Secretaries.

On motion of Almon Young of Hiram, the County Committee was constituted Committee on Credentials. They subsequently reported:

Whole number delegates entitled to seats 11; number present 88; Greenwald with two delegates, and Newry with one, were the only towns unrepresented. Towns were represented by the following delegates:

Albany, Amos G. Bean, Geo. W. Beck-

Andover, H. D. Abbott, H. R. Cushman,

J. W. Clark.

Bath, C. M. Woodworth, C. M. Kimball,

J. M. Philbrick, Simon W. Saborn, G. P. Bean.

Bethel, J. L. Frink, L. R. Giles.

Buckfield, William Chase, O. H. Hersey,

J. W. Whitten.

Byron, John H. Trask.

Canton, J. F. Swasey, Chas. H. Gilbert,

R. A. Barrows.

Denmark, Chas. O. Pendexter, Ephraim

Naborn.

Dixfield, John S. Harlow, C. L. Dilling-

ham.

Fryeburg, A. R. Jenness, F. Y. Bradley,

C. H. Walker, A. P. Gordon.

Gilead, A. E. Herick.

Greenville, Rufus Farrar.

Greenwood—Absent.

Hallowell, S. E. Weston.

Hartford, S. W. Weston, F. W. Bon-

ney, A. H. Allen.

Helen, C. H. George, S. P. Cushman.

Hiram, Almon Young, F. B. Young, A.

S. Milken.

Lewiston, C. M. Stearns, D. W. Russell, E.

C. Walker.

Mason, Fletcher I. Bean.

Moulton, C. C. Willoughby.

Newry—Absent.

Norway, W. W. Whitmarsh, J. A. Roberts,

Freeland Howe, S. W. Millett, David

Knapp, Rollin Trask, Chas. B. G. Hall,

Geo. A. Poor, W. F. Caldwell.

Paris, A. C. T. King, Henry D. Ham-

mond, H. A. Fuller, C. H. Stearns, J. J.

Whithead, G. H. Watkins, Isaac Bon-

die, H. E. Chase.

Peru, E. S. Wyman, H. R. Robinson.

Portland, E. T. Stearns, J. F. Stearns,

Upton, W. S. Robinson.

Waterford, John N. Baker, Geo. L. War-

ren, Frank H. Morse.

Westbrook, Thomas R. Day, Ezra Red-

den, S. C. Davis.

Winthrop, Winthrop Mat-

thers.

By G. P. Bean, esq., of Bethel. Hon. F. W. Robinson of Portland presented the name of Lowell A. Wadsworth, esq. of Hiram, as a candidate for this place. The Committee subsequently reported as follows:

Whole number votes 87

Necessary to elect 44

H. M. Beane had 33

L. A. Wadsworth 31

J. L. Frink 3

In a neat and witty speech Mr. Wadsworth moved that the nomination of Mr. Beane be made unanimous. He said he wished to make more than the mere formal motion for this, and pledged himself and the town of Hiram for their usual work and hoped for more than the usual majority in his town, next September.

On motion of Hon. F. Y. Bradley of Fryeburg, the following committee of five was appointed to select a County Committee for the ensuing two years:

F. Y. Bradley, Fryeburg.

O. H. Hersey, Buckfield.

Almon Young, Hiram.

John S. Harlow, Dixfield.

C. M. Kimball, Bethel.

This Committee, after discussion by Hon. F. W. Robinson, Hon. C. O. Pendexter and others, was instructed to form the County Committee of seven persons, one from each Representative District. They subsequently reported the following names:

J. F. Stanley, Paris.

P. B. Young, Hiram.

J. G. Kimball, Bethel.

J. S. Harlow, Dixfield.

C. O. Pendexter, Denmark.

S. S. Stearns, Norway.

James Irish, Hartford.

This Committee has to act, Jan. 1, 1885, and holds office for two years.

On motion of J. W. Whitten, esq., of Buckfield, the following five were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for candidate for Senator from the Eastern District:

J. W. Whitten, Buckfield.

C. H. Gilbert, Canton.

A. C. Sugar, Rumford.

A. R. Jenness, Fryeburg.

B. Y. Clark, Summit.

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Alfred P. Bowen had 30

John P. Swasey 36

On motion of C. H. Gilbert of Canton, in behalf of Mr. Swasey, the nomination was made unanimous.

These two were the only ballots taken during the Convention. The other candidates were nominated by acclamation, in the following order:

On motion of David Knapp, esq. of Norway, James S. Wright was nominated as candidate for County Attorney.

On motion of Clayton M. Stearns of Lovell, H. E. Davis was nominated as candidate for Register of Probate.

On motion of Hon. F. W. Robinson of Portland, Jordan Stacy was nominated as candidate for Sheriff.

On motion of J. W. Whitten of Buckfield, J. C. Marble was nominated as candidate for County Treasurer.

On motion of Hon. J. W. Clark of Andover, Geo. A. Wilson of South Paris was nominated as candidate for Judge of Probate.

After the nominations, Hon. John P. Swasey addressed the Convention. He pledged his support to the County ticket, just nominated, and predicted a rousing victory for Blaine of Maine. Mr. Swasey's speech aroused great enthusiasm.

The following resolutions were presented by Hon. C. O. Pendexter, Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions:

RESOLUTIONS.

We, the Republicans of Oxford County, in Convention assembled, do hereby endorse the principles and declarations set forth in the platform adopted by the Republican National Convention at Chicago, June 3, 1884.

We recognize that the party of Blaine for President, and we pledge the united support of our Republican Oxford County friends to the candidates nominated by the National Convention.

We present to the voters of Oxford County, the candidates nominated by this Convention, as the only ones who are true to the principles of the Republican party, and as the only ones who are true to the principles of the Republican party.

Mr. Lowell A. Wadsworth presented the following, which was adopted by the Convention:

Resolved, That the Hon. Noah Hubbard, one of the most active, vigilant and distinguished members of the Republican Party has long been a credit to his party, and we hereby endorse his nomination for the office of Senator from the Eastern District.

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A SOUTHERN TOUR.

VIRGINIA, TENNESSEE, NORTH CAROLINA, GEORGIA.—WHAT WAS NOTED IN THESE STATES.

(Editorial Correspondence.)

Nashville, the beautiful! No people can surpass your inhabitants in courtesy; no town can beat you in enterprise! It was just dark as we rolled into the depot at Nashville. Our party was greeted with the booming of cannon, but the cheering was not for us. It was for a brass band, and escorted by the Nashville Press Club and delegations from other city organizations, we marched, two by two to the Nicholson House. Here we were received by the Mayor, and other city dignitaries. Our baggage had been checked and we had been bade by a delegation from Nashville, which had met our train some twenty miles out of the city. Our rooms had been assigned, and in them our baggage was deposited before we had time to seek for it. We were the guests of the city during our stay at Nashville. Our badges were a pass, honored everywhere—none were so poor as not to do us honor. What was the meaning of all this courtesy and unexpected attention? No member of our party had a reputation extending far beyond the limits of his own State. Most of us were simply country editors. We were not distinguished for ourselves. It was for two reasons. First, the South tends to become a great commercial and manufacturing center. It wants Northern capital and enterprise to help develop it. As representatives of the press, we were shown the resources of the country, that we might tell of them to thousands of Northerners who are continually seeking new fields of labor. Secondly, the business classes of the South, those men who ultimately mould public sentiment, wished to show their good will toward the North as a part of this great nation which they now honor and respect. They wish to encourage friendly relations, and as the years go by, these sentiments of friendship will become universal in the South. In the section of Tennessee which we visited a true man will find a hearty welcome if he is ready to work for the development of the country, no matter where he comes from or what his political opinions may be. After an excellent supper at the Nicholson, we were presented to many Nashville citizens who had called to welcome us. A quiet evening and night were most grateful to all of the party, as we were traveling tired and weary. Wednesday morning we visited the State House, which is a fine edifice of lime stone which "was quarried in sight of the building." I was particularly interested in an exhibit of Tennessee products made in the rotunda of the capitol. There were grains and grasses, flowers and woods, minerals, ores, coal and marble—samples of all that nature has done for the country and of what man has accomplished by tilling the earth with his hoe. Haywood County had an exhibit of forty different kinds of wood. The specimens were placed two inches thick, three feet long and some of them less than one foot in width. There is a fine large library, containing besides books, many valuable antiquities, battle flags, portraits, etc. The State Board of Agriculture was in session. Addresses of welcome were made and were responded to by Rev. Mr. Hatch of Hartford, Conn. who was our happy orator.

After dinner, Wednesday, we were given a ride about the city and out to Vanderbilt University. This grand institution was presented to Nashville, by Commodore Vanderbilt of New York. He invested about a million dollars in it. W. H. Vanderbilt has also contributed largely to the success of the University. At one time he gave about two hundred thousand dollars for building and furnishing an additional hall. The catalogue of students of this State gives an attendance of 150 students, representing twenty States, one Territory and three foreign countries. We were welcomed to the University by Bishop McTier, D. D., President of the institution, and spent a pleasant hour in viewing the elegant buildings and splendid educational appliances. We then drove to "Bell Meade," a large plantation owned by Gen. W. G. Harding, and carried on by his son-in-law, Gen. W. H. Jackson, known in the service as "Red" Jackson, a dashing cavalry leader. Gen. Harding is partially incapacitated by age, but Gen. Jackson is in the full vigor of manhood. He is a graduate of West Point, and was on the front line, fighting Indians when the war broke out. He came home, entered the Confederate service, when his State seceded, and has never applied for pardon, being now one of the thirty laboring under political disabilities. Gen. Jackson made a true blue Union speech in welcoming us, and in all his conversation accepted the results of the war as the best solution of the slavery problem. When it was suggested that we should apply for his pardon, he said no; he did not care to be pardoned, because he might then go into politics, and he preferred his present rural life. The plantation contains 1,200 acres. About 400 of these are in a magnificent deer park, through which we drove. The underbrush has been cleared off this tract, and we rode in every direction over the finest turf. "Bell Meade" is a famous horse farm. We saw here several famous horses, including "Lute and Blackbird" and "Big Tom." Gen. Jackson said they never sold anything off the farm, except such as went into the hands of the army.

There are yearly sales of some of the trotting stock from this farm. The one concluded just before we arrived netting some \$40,000.00. Yearling colts from this stock sell as high as \$17,000. Luke Blackbird was sold from the farm for \$500 as a yearling; was brought back for \$16,000.00, and an offer of \$25,000.00 for him has been refused. A large herd of "Shetland" ponies attracted almost as much attention as the deer. Gen. Jackson said he was working his dairy stock into thoroughbred horses. A large stone dairy is being erected. It covers a spring, and is to have an elegant house in the second story. It is an elegant house in the second story. It is an elegant house in the second story.

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OXFORD COUNTY LOCALS.

ANDOVER, July 5th.—The mercury has ranged high up in the nineties in the shade for the past week, and everybody greets you with "what hot weather we're having!"
The Congregational Society met with Mrs. H. W. Poor, last Wednesday. The proceeds of the evening were about five dollars.
John S. Colby of Lowell, Mass., gave a temperance address at the Cong. church, Sunday evening, June 22d. Mr. Colby, a former resident of this place, is a pleasing speaker, but best known as a writer and journalist.
Mr. A. F. Roberts of Cambridge, Mass., is visiting his father, Mr. John Roberts of this place.
The Fourth passed off very quietly here; the only public celebration being a grove picnic in Newton's "Maples." The ladies gave an excellent dinner to all comers, while lemonade for all was furnished by public spirited young men. After dinner came music, addresses, recitations, etc. A large number of people were present, and all seemed to think it the pleasant picnic that ever was.

Some of our people celebrated by going to Portland; others went to Ramford, and still more to Upton.

Miss Brockbridge of Boston, and Miss Belle Hillier of Norway, Me., are visiting at L. P. Newcomb's.

Mr. John Wynn of Hartford, and Miss Lora Akers of Andover, celebrated the 4th last, by exchanging "single blessedness" for wedded bliss. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Dams; and we congratulate them on the change.

The Andover Band played at Upton, the Fourth.

There was a dance at Union Hall, July 2d.

Mrs. Alonzo Rand from Philadelphia, is visiting her parents and friends here.

Messrs. Walter L. Marston and Scott West have gone to Milan.

Mr. John W. Marston has purchased a farm at Carmel, Me., and has removed to that place, taking Mrs. Susie Bigelow with him—a bride.

J. H. Wardwell, esq., has resighed his store.

Remember the meeting of the Blaine and Logan Club at the town hall, next Friday at 8 P. M.

Bethel. — Our Bethel correspondent writes that a very pleasant day was enjoyed in town, July 4th. The Sabbath-schools held a picnic in D. F. Brown's grove. Addresses were made by Rev. Messrs. Bowler and Garland. There was the usual amount of noisy demonstrations.

E. C. Rowe's new store is on the boom. A large number of men are now employed upon it, and when completed it will be one of the finest buildings in the County. Mr. Rowe is one of our leading merchants and whatever he undertakes to do is sure to meet with success.

Judge Woodbury's new house on Main Street is almost completed.

The skating rink was alive with humanity on the evening of July 4th.

Backfield. — O. H. Harvey, esq., had given part for dinner from his garden, June 29th.

July 5th. — The large dairy house recently erected by Charles Foster, the tooth-pick man, was burned to the ground, Thursday afternoon. The building was filled with lamp-lights. Mr. F. estimates his loss at \$500. A large quantity of sawed lumber owned by different individuals was in the immediate vicinity, but prompt action saved that, as well as the tooth-pick man's house itself, which caught fire several times.

The Fourth passed very quietly; a few guns at sunrise and sunset made the chief noise of the day; even the inevitable tin horns were less prominent than usual.

The Champion Road Machine has been doing very satisfactory work at much less cost than by the old method.

Henry C. Prior, who graduated from Colburn Classical Institute last week, has entered Colby University; he is spending the summer vacation at home.

Saturday, July 12, at 7:12 P. M., there is to be a Republican flag-raising and a Blaine and Logan Club will be organized.

A handsome Blaine and Logan flag was thrown to the breeze yesterday by Hon. Geo. D. Blaine.

FRYBURGH, July 5.—The spring term of the Academy closes this week with examinations Monday and Tuesday P. M., and the graduating exercises Tuesday P. M. at an address Tuesday evening.

At the close of the Tuesday morning session remarks were made by some of the Trustees and other gentlemen present. Rev. C. D. Barrows, D. D., now of San Francisco, Cal., but formerly a student and later Principal in this Academy, spoke especially of the time when Mr. Richardson, the present Preceptor, was under his own instruction in the same room; then announced that for the next five years he would offer annual prizes of \$50 to the young gentlemen who should make the best progress in declamation during the year; the same amount to a young lady for improvement in composition in the same time. Also prizes of \$25 for greatest general improvement throughout the year.

Hon. J. S. Wiley, a former resident of Fryburgh, Me., told of his early struggles for an education. At last part two, the Academy hall was well filled for the graduating exercises. The stage, which had lately been entirely remodelled, was tastefully decorated with plants and flowers, and the background was draped with flags. John Stuart Barrows, Dennis Moore Cole, Alice Evelyn Morgan, William P. F. Robie, and Edward Newton Shirley are the members of the class of '84. The following was the programme: Prayer; Solo—Ada Belle Kennard, Portland; Salutatory—The Study of History; Alice Evelyn Morgan, Fryburgh; Music—chorus from the school; Declaration—"The healing of the daughter of Jairus," William P. F. Robie, Gorham; Duet, Declaration—"The black horse and his rider," Dennis Moore Cole, Fryburgh; Solo; John P. Mason, Oxbow; Declaration—"Toussaint L'Ouverture," John Stuart Barrows, Fryburgh; Music—chorus from the school; Violoncello—Edward Newton Shirley, Conway; Solo—Miss Kennard; Concluding Remarks and Benediction. The pastures were all thoroughly prepared and well delivered. Among those present were Mrs. Gov. Robie, E. S. Osgood of the Argus, Postmaster Barker and family of Portland and many from the surrounding towns. The address given by Rev. C. D. Barrows in the evening, on "The Perspective in Education," received careful attention from the large audience present, who were glad to hear what one of their own townsmen could say. Nearly the same address had been given by Dr. Barrows, the previous week to the graduating class at Wellesley College. Music before and after the address was furnished by the Fryburgh Brass Band. Later there was some time spent in a social way; songs were given by Dr. Barrows and Mr. Mason and remarks by various gentlemen. The catalogue of the Academy is just issued and gives the names for the three terms of the year as follows: 68, 70, 120—a total of 274. Prepar-

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HARTFORD, July 1.—Died at Lawrence, Mass., June 11, Mrs. Nellie B. wife of A. P. Quincy, aged 35 years. Daughter of John Brown, formerly of East Bethel, and sister of Ada who was drowned at West Pass, Auburn. Of twelve children of Mr. Brown, only four are living: Alonzo at Paris, Rhode in Mississippi, Henry in Minnesota, and Mary at Bangor. Although she is a pensioner and nearly blind, she was a most devoted mother, and in her last days was making and cutting wood in the woods.

An excellent sermon was preached at East Bethel chapel on the 29th ult., by Rev. M. Lowell of New Hampshire. Rev. Mr. Towne of Hallowell has supplied the pulpit, Sabbath afternoon, to an attentive and increasing audience for many weeks. They have an interesting Sabbath-school at the chapel.

OXFORD.—Mayor King of Portland, was in town Saturday and Sunday, visiting Geo. Hawks esq. Mr. King never looked better than he does this summer. He weighs 250 pounds, and is, if such a thing is possible, more genial and good natured than ever.

Col. Lewis N. Edwards got the first string of black bass after the law was off. One of them weighed over two pounds.

Drs. Hersey of Oxford, Tilton of Norway, and Woodbury of So. Paris made a post mortem examination of Willie Flood, Monday. The spleen weighed 32 ounces. A healthy one would have weighed 2 1/2 ounces. There were many theories as to what ailed little Willie, but the examination showed Dr. Hersey's to be the correct one. Little Willie was a very promising boy. An account of his life and of his peculiar disease has already been given in the Democrat.

Albert Robinson severely injured his back last week.

About sunset Wednesday, William Canwell and a Washburn boy went down to the pond back of Orrin Jones's and went in bathing. The Washburn boy swam some distance into the pond, while Canwell who could not swim, waded and plashed near the shore. One can wade out about a rod and a half at this spot, and then the bank drops sheer off giving a water depth of 20 feet the very next step. Canwell waded off over this bank and found himself beyond his depth. He called for help, but before Washburn could reach him he had sunk for the third and last time, and lay on his breast in 20 feet of water. After trying in vain to save him the Washburn boy hurried home to tell the village and gave the alarm. A large crowd with boats and greasy soap came. But the water in early evening was black as ink and they could not find the body. At last torches were rigged out and at 8:30 W. R. Farris caught his grapple in the body and it was soon ashore. Dr. Stevens stood ready, but the body had been in the water over 1 1/2 hours and was cold and lifeless. Canwell was somewhere about 16 years old and was a boy whom every one liked. His employer, Orrin Jones, says he never had a boy he liked so well before. His parents live on S. T. Hubbard's farm.

Gossip. Joe H. Parritt is at home on a visit. —Crops are all drying up. A slight frosty exposure to Steve Jilbert's saw mill—Geo. Hawks, esq. raises strawberries so large they will fill a quart basket full. They have to be quartered for apples before one can get them in his mouth. —Merrill Brackett has painted his house and two barns. He has the cunningest, slickest coat you ever saw. —G. H. Jones has dashed a fine new stable. He waters his grass field every day. —F. H. Hayes is building a fine new house. T. Baker turned the saw water, rich in manure, so it would run from the road into his field last spring. It more than doubled his crop of grass, some of which stood six feet high on an average. Most farmers use the town for damage if any road water runs into their fields. —Geo. F. Edwards has his hand bad playing ball. —Noble is bored with a new meat cart. —F. C. Stone is at home, very lame from rheumatism. He is bowed down like an old man. He supports his tottering steps with a cane.

PARIS.—J. S. Hobbs, esq., State Librarian, was in town last week and was welcomed by his many friends.

A. M. Mason, esq. of Kezar Falls is in town.

The fourth was passed very quietly here. Some of our people went to Portland, some to Norway, and some spent the day under their own vine and fig tree. Mrs. S. R. Carter and Mrs. William Chase each made a display of bunting, and at the latter place, a fine collection of fireworks was discharged.

PARIS.—J. H. Rawson has sold his lively stable business and stage line to his son Charles. Mr. Rawson commenced the business in 1852 and has carried it on until the present season. In 1879, having had much success in caring for lame and diseased horses, he commenced the manufacture of his famous horse and cattle medicines which found a ready sale in this and adjoining towns. The sale of these medicines became so great that it required all of his time and attention to supply the demand; he was, therefore, compelled to give up the stable business altogether. Charles Rawson, who succeeds to the lively and stage business, is an active, energetic young man, and will no doubt make the business a success and give entire satisfaction to all his patrons.

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We noticed a horse turned loose to pasture by the roadside on Lincoln Street, one evening last week.

SOUTH PARIS, July 7.—Herbert E. Bonney, who recently purchased the home- stead of the late Jos. H. Morse, has been making extensive repairs and additions so that one would hardly recognize the place. Mr. Bonney is very enterprising and his many improvements which he has in contemplation will do much to enhance the value of all the property on that street.

The hay crop in this section is estimated will not be over two-thirds that of last year and the work of securing it will be said to be fairly underway, the present week.

C. E. Richardson, of S. Richardson & Co., has already sold three of the lots in the Dunnet field, and the other five are being "looked after," and no wonder, considering the very reasonable prices put upon them.

Hon. W. H. Hartshorn of Guildhall, Vt., who has been visiting his son-in-law, J. M. Pool of the Andrews House, returned last week to his Vermont home. Mr. Pool has the pleasure this week of a visit from his brother, H. A. Pool of Brockton, Mass.

On the evening of the 4th Mr. Pool treated a party of his friends to ice cream and strawberry lemonade—no "stick" in it. This house enjoys the reputation of having the best cook of any hotel in this section.

The glorious old Fourth of July passed off very quietly here, only a few snappers and torpedoes, bel-ringing and horn-blowing. No public demonstration. As one man remarked, "they had all the drinking and fighting and drowsing over to Norway"; some of our townsmen were in attendance, but we hope and trust none of them participated in any of the above mentioned festivities. When people get so low down that they can't "go to the Fourth" without taking in that kind of business, they had better stay at home and let potato bugs.

This week, S. Richardson & Co. are putting on a large lot of roof for Davis Carter of West Paris, and are soon to put on a tin roof for Mr. George W. Ripley, near Paris Hill. One would be surprised to see the large quantity of baying tools carried away from the store every day for the last two weeks; they sell the same grade of scythe for 75c, that nearly all the other dealers in this vicinity sell for 81c.

Mr. C. W. Bowker is taking a short vacation at his mother's, Mrs. N. Mason.

Willie Merrill had his eyes so severely injured by a fire-cracker on the Fourth, that it is thought very doubtful if he ever fully recover the use of them.

A son of Mr. Axel Tuttle also had his eyes injured in the same way.

Mr. Winthrop Matthews has been quite lame for a week or two past.

WEST PARIS, July 5th.—The people of West Paris celebrated the glorious 4th in quite an interesting manner. The "Horridities," "Fantasies," etc. were out in the morning, accompanied by the Hook and Ladder Co., commanded by the General and his Aid on their steeds, followed in the rear by "Old Ben But" in his extensive vehicle, but "Poor soul, all alone." They rode through the several streets, exhibiting their varied characteristics, to the amusement of village hosts and many others who had gathered to enjoy and celebrate the fourth. I should have said that at about 3 o'clock in the morning, the salute of guns, ringing of church bells, awakened us from our slumbers, to realize that the spirit of '76 has not all died out. Lemonade and ice cream was at hand, and much enjoyed. At 4 o'clock in the evening there was a flag raising, the banner bearing the names of Blaine and Logan, and Frederick Robie, amid the cheers of the multitude that had gathered on the occasion. Three cheers were given for the "Old Flag," the band also joining in the salute. H. G. Brown, who had charge of the services, then introduced H. C. Davis from Paris Hill, who in able words, paid tribute of respect to the old flag and the honored names it bore and to the Republican party, whose standard bearers have been selected and are to be elected in September and November, after which G. F. Hammond also from the Hill, addressed the people a few minutes in a fitting and interesting manner. Three cheers were then given for the candidates, the Band joining, after which the Band played "Yankee Doodle" with enthusiasm. The company adjourned to the Band Stand, where further services were held. The people were called to order by Capt. Leonard. The Declaration of Independence was then read by Rev. Mr. Witham, who also offered prayer, then music by the Band. Then Eugene H. Jenkins of our own little village was introduced, who gave us a very excellent address.

Rhian Williams came home to celebrate. Leonard Swan is also spending the 4th at home.

Rev. N. Andrews preached at So. Woodstock last Sabbath.

Mr. A. J. Curtis of our village and his brother from Cambridge, Mass., have been to the lakes fishing.

Miss Minnie Williams is stopping with Mr. Willie Willis at present.

The Hillman has gone on a visit to her sister at Minot. Mrs. Hillman has a noble Jersey cow for sale.

A grand rain last night to wash up the fourth.

The Pastor's wife, Mrs. Witham is very poorly.

The people are busy haying and hoeing. A birthday party at Mr. Witham's. Tuesday P. M. and eve, July 8th. His fiftieth Anniversary. A good time is expected.

Mrs. Chase of North Paris, is rather poorly.

RAMFORD CENTRE.—About one hundred and fifty persons, men, women and children gathered at the residence of Rev. G. B. Hannaford, at Ramford Centre, Thursday, June 26th, to celebrate his fortieth birthday. Parishioners and friends from all the adjoining towns, besides many residents of the place, came to pay their respects to Mr. Hannaford and congratulate him on his journey thus far through life. Although Mrs. Hannaford was absent as usual, there were several ladies who kindly volunteered to do the honors of the lofty elm trees in front of the house and leading them with the nice food they had brought, of which there was an abundance. Mr. Hannaford was everywhere present, with a kind word for all. He made a very feeling speech of welcome, and responses were made by Revs. Messrs. Carter, French and Witham of West Paris. Remarks were also made by Waldo Pettengill, esq., a much esteemed resident of this place, and Mr. John Irish, the poet, of East Ramford (by the way, we were hoping he might have a poem for the occasion). Mr. William Patnam of Dixfield, was also there and favored the company with a few appropriate remarks. Good music was furnished by a select

choir, Mrs. Waldo Pettengill leading, with Mrs. Albert Virgil of East Ramford and Mrs. Cyrus P. Eaton (alto), and Revs. Messrs. Witham, and Carter, and Mr. Patnam (bass). Twenty-two dollars in cash was presented Mr. Hannaford, and as the company was retiring he said he hoped they would all be there one year from date.

Dr. E. F. Bradford and wife, of Mechanic Falls, visited Ramford last week, and were much pleased with this part of the country. They were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carter, who with them and Dr. F. E. Small and wife, made a visit to Ramford Falls. A party from Bethel Hill were there the same day, also Mr. Gibbs from Bridgton Centre. The falls are gaining fast in notoriety, and may believe the time is not very far distant when it will become a city.

The "Ladies Social Circle" met Tuesday week at Mrs. Rosella Dolloff's. It being the 15th anniversary of her marriage, quite a large company gathered, (considering the extreme heat) and the ladies presented to her a large purse of money, in token of their kind regards for her. Mrs. D. has a large family (nine children) of nice behaved and well disposed girls and boys. Several of them entertained the company with good recitations.

The 15th passed away very quietly. No patriotism displayed, excepting by the "Juveniles," who did their best to "celebrate," marching up and down the street in all kinds of fantastic costumes.

Miss Lulu Hoy closed her school Thursday, and is about starting for North Bridgton to visit old friends, and be present at the "Commencement."

Mr. Farley is on a visit home to his family, from Boston, after an absence of several months.

The week past has been very hot, up to the nineties most of the time, and it is getting very dry in this locality, the showers during the week all passing north of us. Grass will be rather light in this section, though vegetation generally is looking very well.

—The following, copied from the *Lewiston Daily Courier*, speaks well of an article made in their city. "Hood's Sarsaparilla" is fast growing into use, and doing much good. This is no "patent medicine," but a preparation of a standard article for specific disease, and its effect is said to be very marked. The testimonials which they give are bona fide, from parties who have used the preparation, and cheerfully give their testimony as to its worth. Those afflicted with Scrophulous, Biliousness, or General Debility, should try the remedy. Hood & Co. are careful and experienced pharmacists, and their preparations can be relied on.

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—Old men tottering around from Rheumatism, kidney trouble or any weakness will be made almost new by using hop bits.
—My wife and daughter were made healthy by the use of hop bits and I recommend them to my people.—Methodist Clergyman.

Ask any good doctor if hop bits are not the best family medicine on earth. (1)

Malaria fever, Ague and Biliousness, will leave every neighborhood as soon as hop bits arrive.

—My mother died of the paralysis and neuritis all out of her system with hop bits. (2) *Ed. George Shaw.*
—Keep the kidneys healthy with hop bits and you need not fear sickness.
—Ice water is rendered harmless and more refreshing and reviving with hop bits in each draught.

—The vigor of youth for the aged and infirm in hop bits. (3)

—All the change of life nothing equals hop bits to bring all troubles equal.

—The best periodical for ladies to take monthly, and from which they will receive the greatest benefit in hop bits.

—Mothers with sickly, fretful, nursing children, will cure the children and benefit themselves by taking hop bits daily.

—Thousands die annually from some form of kidney disease that might have been prevented by a timely use of hop bits.

Indigestion, weak stomach, irregularities of the bowels, cannot exist when hop bits are used.

—Hop bits keep a man's family in perfect health and good cost.

—To produce real genuine sleep and child-like repose all night, take a little hop bits on retiring.

—None genuine without a bunch of green hops on the white label and "Hop" or "Hops" in their name.

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OUR PUZZLE CORNER.

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OLD FATHER GREENE LIVED ON A HILL;
His head square rose he used to till,
And raised the tender first.

A gardener clothed with magic power
And with a summer's sun and shower
His garden grew very good.

Where was his garden, while the nut
Where dwelt this queer old nut?
While when his garden was in short,
His townsmen all called whole.

WICKED WILL.
Composed of 18 letters.

My 1, 2, 3, 4, 18 is one of the gods of ancient mythology.

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Alvin, of Ohio, writes:
"I have been suffering from Rheumatism for more than a third of a century."

Mrs. A. Baker, of Chicago, writes:
"I have been suffering from Rheumatism for more than a third of a century."

Had rheumatic pains in her back for fifteen years.

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KEEP THE CULTIVATOR GOING.

The cultivation of food crops is not literally to kill weeds or make hills, but to stir and give the plant roots a chance to gather the fertility of the soil.

The effects of manure are much greater if the land is kept well stirred and not allowed to bake and harden by the effect of rains.

On clay lands, one heavy shower will often cause such a crust to form upon the surface that all after rains must run off into hollows for the very reason that no water can penetrate such a hard surface.

On lighter lands, the effect of frequent cultivating is to form one or two inches of light, dry, fine soil upon the top, which acts like a mulch, protecting the roots from the drying effects of summer drought and at the same time it is just the condition to absorb the moisture that may chance to fall in a shower.

The effect of frequent cultivating close land is to make it light and porous, so that it will work up like yeast.

If anyone wishes to see for himself the great difference, let him take his closest pieces of land and fix them well by frequent working with the cultivator, and he will be surprised at the marked difference in their condition.

T. B. Terry says, in the *Country Gentleman*, that if he could have his choice between large quantities of manure with little cultivation or a small amount with the use of all the improved tools for pulverizing, he should take the latter with perfect certainty of increased crops.

Then, besides the benefits to the growing crop, the land is being improved for crops that will follow, as a direct gain is made in fertilizing material. We believe in and practice running the cultivator in food crops from the time the rows can be seen until prevented by the growth of tops. Not deep to test the soil, but lightly and as near the growing crop as possible without disturbing it.

The haying season is now at hand and of course all hands are ready for it, and will begin the work with courage.

Better begin a little too early than allow a large part of the grass to stand until it is too ripe. Early cut hay is much more valuable for fodder because the stalks do not become hard and woody by the action of the sap ripening the grain. The seed is not shattered from early cut hay, but is nearly all saved and eaten with the stalk upon which it grew.

We are obliged to feed dry fodder for so long a period each year, we should take advantage of every opportunity to have all of it of first quality. And only by early cutting can the sweet, juicy hay that is so much relished by stock be obtained.

Many farmers in our vicinity are cutting their meadow grass much earlier than formerly, and find the practice a decided advantage to them in the increased value of the hay, while the quantity is but little less than when it is allowed to stand much longer.

Then the land is left in better condition to protect the roots, as much growth will follow early cutting, which will fall and protect them. We have often wondered to see fields produce, year after year, quite a quantity of grass under the most exhaustive system of permitting the first crop to ripen its seed, then treading the second into the ground, leaving the roots exposed to the rains and winter frosts.

If a fair amount is obtained in this manner, with careful usage fine crops will be grown. Fill the barns as full as possible of fresh, early cut hay, then leave the mowing fields untended by animals after the mowing. Let nothing tempt us to feed off the second crop. As much injury is done the roots,—much of the grass is wasted by being trodden down and soiled. If a good growth follows the scythe it is far better to mow it and feed it from the barn, because by so doing the manure can be saved and applied just where it is needed and will do the most good, instead of being scattered promiscuously through the field in bunches that do no good.

If a light top-dressing of well rotted manure is applied soon after taking off the first crop upon land that is well seeded, a fine second crop will often result, which will help fill the barn without impoverishing the fields. Prospects are now fine for an abundant hay crop, and it is well harvested and judiciously fed to stock the farmer is sure of an income. Keep well up with the scythe, and do not let a storm find us with lots of half cured grass.

(Practical Farmer.)

LIABILITY FOR ACTS OF HIREN MEN.

Few farmers have a correct idea of the extent of their liability for acts of hired help. Judge Parrish, in a late address before the Grand Rapids (Michigan) Farmers' Club, explained the rules of the common law in relation to the torts and negligence of farm employees. The essential portions of his remarks we condense for the readers of the *Prairie Farmer*.

The farmer, according to this authority, "is responsible in damages to third parties for wrong acts or negligences of hired help occasioning injury, whether by omission or commission; whether in conformity to his orders or even in disobedience to them, by negligence, fraud, deceit, or even willful misconduct, so long as it was in the course of the employment." For instance: The farmer has a horse affected with glanders and he orders his hired man to take it out on the road and sell it or trade it off. He is told not to warrant or recommend the horse, or to resort to any other trick in order to make a sale. The first trick men is stamped for a trade.

The hired man is asked if the horse is sound, and he answers, "Perfectly so; not a blemish or fault about him; and that he would not be afraid to warrant him." The trade is made, and the employer is liable for the deceit, because the swindle was in the course of the employment.

A hired man is driving a neighbor's cow out of his employer's corn-field, killed it with a stone. The court held the employer liable for the value of the cow.

A hired man taking by mistake a bag of

barley instead of oats, fed some of the grain to the horses, put a clevis in the bag and left it in the old place, saying nothing about the matter. The farmer filled the bag with ears of corn and took it to mill; in grinding the clevis injured the cracker. The farmer was held for the damage.

A farmer is liable for trespass of his employees, done honestly in the course of his employment, as cutting timber on land of an adjacent proprietor.

It being the duty of the employee to unload a certain load of wood, and by throwing it overboard he accidentally or purposely wounds a by-stander, the employer is liable. But if the unloading was no part of his duty at the time, there would be no liability. The test of responsibility is not whether the act was done according to instructions, but whether due to the prosecution of the work he was doing for his employer. If the hired man, in performing a particular act in a particular manner, departs from instructions to inflict a wanton injury on a third person, the employer is not liable.

We give the above as both important and interesting information, and to impress upon farmers the necessity of extreme caution in choosing help. There are other grave reasons why care should be exercised in this matter, but this is sufficient for the present. Negligent, careless help can inflict serious loss upon their principal, even when he thinks himself least liable.

(House Farm.)

CARE OF YOUNG CHICKS.

If the brooder has been wise in setting his nest the past month, he has by this time several ready to leave the nest with their young at one time, and can therefore double, and often triple, up his broods and let one mother rear the whole, or at least twenty, as at this season of the year there is no danger of chilling, provided suitable coops are made for them. This can easily be supplied by placing a four barrel upon its side with a door to close nights, and this will also keep out the cats, skunks, and weasels. By the time the chicks are the size of robbins, the mother should be removed, and make room for the growing chicks, which are now able to scratch for themselves. When they are about the size of pigeons they should be also removed from the coop to more commodious quarters and taught to roost.

We are apt to let the broods quarter in the coops until quite late, when they suffer from their own exhalations; and pile one upon another, causing after a while deformities and diseases from which they never recover.

Diarrhea is often prevalent and disastrous to young chicks, and before you are aware of the cause one-half of your brood is gone. To prevent this and give them an early start, for the first two weeks feed stale bread soaked in milk. This will be found to be very forcing and can be followed with scalded oatmeal, wheat-bran, and corn-meal mixed, with wheat and cracked corn by the second month. Grain should not be fed before then, and only small grain then, as they cannot digest it. Corn may be used, as well as barley or oats, by the third month. Always feed sparingly, but often, giving only what will readily be eaten.

(Rural Record.)

THE NORMAN HORSE.

An admirer of this breed says: "Since 1851 the Norman horse has crossed the Alleghenies, the Ohio, the Wabash, the Mississippi, the Missouri, the Rockies; and everywhere he thrives grows in favor, and maintains his imperishable individuality. From the Atlantic to the Pacific, in every State, in every Territory, he is, in type, in quality, in disposition, the same peerless animal. His power, his endurance, his unqualified kindness and tractability, have won for him the warmest chamber in the heart of the breeder, and the most exalted place in public favor. Station keepers love him because he is easily managed, is a sure foot getter, and an incomparable improver of common horses. Farmers love him because he is easily reared, cheaply kept, no trouble to break, excellent at the plow, invincible at the wagon, and always marketable at the very best prices. Teamsters and freight haulers love him because he never balks, always takes a load with him when he goes and, with half a chance, keeps in good condition. Dealers admire him because he is so gentle in handling, and is a never failing source of profit. In a word, he is a universal favorite."

(Our Country Home.)

THE IMPORTATION OF EGGS.

The fact that 350,000 eggs formed a part of the cargo of the steamer *Hermes*, which took fire the other day on its way to this country from Copenhagen, suggests some observations regarding a curious class of articles imported into this country, says a Washington dispatch.

It is certainly a little singular that the United States, with a large agricultural population, should have to go to Copenhagen, or indeed to any point outside this country for eggs; yet a statement recently published by Chief Minors of the Bureau of Statistics of the Treasury shows that there were imported into this country last year no less than 82,000,000 eggs. More than that, the reports of the past year's importations show that this is not a spasmodic movement of commerce, but that the egg trade from abroad has been a flourishing industry for some years, having grown so rapidly since its inauguration that the hogs of the country ought to be startled by it.

In the fiscal year 1881 the number of eggs imported was 110,000,000; in 1882 it was 140,000,000; in the present year it was 150,000,000; and in the present year it was 150,000,000; and in the present year it was 150,000,000; and in the present year it was 150,000

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OXFORD COUNTY LOCALS.

Deferred from last week.

GRAFTON, June 25.—Mr. John M. Eagle and Miss Minnie P. Abbott were united in the holy bonds of wedlock, June 21st, by Orrin Foster, esq. They gave a reception Saturday evening, and many friends gathered to offer congratulations and good wishes to the happy bride and groom. A nice treat was furnished the crowd, consisting of cool lemonade, and plenty of candy and nuts, and all went home voting it a pleasant entertainment.

Mrs. Dexter Tenney is in very poor health.

Mark Swan has been this way lately, buying potatoes. At 15c. a bushel it pays to raise them.

Frank Abbott, from Bethel, lately made a trip up this way with his partner's cart. Frank is a steady, honest lad, and people will do well to patronize him.

Mrs. Joseph Brooks, of Upton, is very sick.

Miss Cora Hames and brother are stopping for a while with Mr. and Mrs. Otis Brooks.

Horatio Wright of North Newry dropped his hand on to a circular saw one day last week and sawed it so badly the two middle fingers had to be removed. Dr. Twaddle performed the operation and he is now doing well. It was his right hand, of course; a circular saw always goes for that, you know.

True Davis informed me that his father has about sixteen acres on a "corn" sown to grain—besides lots of potatoes planted. Mr. Davis is fortunate enough to have plenty of help, and we all know "my hands make light work." He has had three sons at home all the past spring to help him. Mr. D. has improved his farm very much in the three years he has been there, and improvement on the farms is, I think, what every good farmer should strive for.

An electric belt collar is the latest, the siling ones who purchased are getting better fast—at least, some of them say they are.

A hot, dry June is not going to make a very good hay crop up this way. D. S. Abbott's field looks the most promising of any I have noticed hereabouts.

O-good McAllister and Jason Wilson have left town to seek their fortunes, and I have heard they "brought up" in a popular camp at North Newry.

DOLLIE DART

WEST PARIS.—Ethan Willis has been at home a few days. It seemed quite good to see him in his accustomed place in church on the Sabbath and to hear his voice in the prayer meeting. He has finished his job at G. Oham, N. H., and has gone to take charge of constructing a new set of buildings of common stone wall to be laid in cement, in Shelburne.

Mr. Witham, pastor of the M. E. Church, had quite extensive service last Sabbath attending a funeral at 10 o'clock, service at the church at 11, followed by Sabbath-school; at 2 P. M. preached at No. Paris, followed by prayer; at 7 1/2 o'clock, prayer meeting at West Paris. He has sold one of his horses to Mr. Cummings at S. Paris for stable work.

The change of time on the railroad discommodated the people some today (23rd) as they commence their summer time today.

Edwin Brown is canvassing somewhat this place for the "Blaine and Logan book." It must be an interesting work.

Last week the minister and wife had a very pleasant season in their call on the family of Mr. Josiah Stone on High Street. They were preparing for a dinner in the grove, and the minister and his wife were invited to enjoy the occasion with them. He reports a very enjoyable season; the splendid dinner, declamations, song, and prayer, associated with social chat, made it an occasion to be remembered.

The West Paris Band went to So. Paris Tuesday evening via Paris Hill, where they tarried a little and gave the Hill people a good musical salute; then on to So. Paris, where they enjoyed a very pleasant association with the South Paris Band, who welcomed their visitors cordially.—gave them a fine treat, and they came home feeling that they had enjoyed a grand time. Geo. H. Briggs took the company on their trip in his "Amazon," with a good team of four horses. Mr. Briggs is a very handy man to have, for with his Amazon he brings a goodly company to church on the Sabbath and is ready at short notice to serve his customers.

The wife of James Curtis is experimenting with the mumps; Mrs. Webber is getting better.

Everett Andrews and wife and the minister and his wife went to Ramford, Thursday, to a birth-day party of Rev. G. B. Hannaford, it being the 40th anniversary of his birth. They report a pleasant season; a goodly number present; an occasion of comfort and cheer to this bachelor minister.

The little three year old daughter of Edwin Richardson of North Paris had a very narrow escape from death, Monday of this week, by falling backward from the railing near the bridge into the river among the rocks, the water being quite low. A young man saw her from the chair factory of Washburn & Ellinwood, and jumped from the second story window and rescued the child from her serious situation. He was noble, brave boy. Strange to say, the child escaped with only a few bruises and sudden fright.

Miss Minard is still quite poorly. The wife of Mr. Washburn is quite sick. His mother got quite well again.

Mrs. Thomas Hillman is thinking to visit her sister at West Minot next week. Ashbury Curtis from Cambridge, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Everett Andrews, and other friends.

Rev. Nathan Andrews has preached at No. Woodstock two past two Sabbaths; he will preach at South Woodstock on next Sabbath.

The wife of Willie Willis presented him with a 12 lb. boy, Saturday.

The school teacher at No. Paris is having the mumps; no doubt the school will be somewhat interrupted by them.

Potato bugs are plenty, ground is getting a little dry; grass is looking fair.

Not much stir about the Fourth; may have a little demonstration in the evening. The band will probably give us some music with fire-works at the close.

J. A. Tuell has sold out his meat business to Mr. Caldwell of the Maple Hotel.

PASSAGE OF THE SHIPPING BILL.

After a contest against the free ship dogma and against democratic tactics and distortions, extending over two sessions of Congress, the bill known as the "Dingley shipping bill," on Saturday was passed by both branches of Congress, substantially as drawn by Congressman Dingley. The bill will become a law Tuesday of July 1st, if it receives the signature of the President, as no doubt it will. The bill as enacted, contains 50 sections. The substance of its provisions is as follows:

It allows an American vessel on a foreign voyage and till it returns home to fill vacancies in position of officers below the rank of captain by appointment of officers.

It abolishes three months' extra wages and provides one month's extra wages only shall be paid in cases of injury in service of the vessel, unnecessary and willful prolongation of the voyage, willful sending of the ship to sea in a foreign country and cruel treatment.

It increases the amount to be paid by government for transportation of seamen in cases of long voyage.

It prohibits payment of advance wages to seamen, but provides for abolition of wages to seamen's relatives.

It requires vessels in foreign trade to carry a log chest with supplies of clothing, etc., excluding, however, vessels in trade with countries and islands of North and Central America from this obligation.

It abolishes consular fees for services to vessels, and provides for the payment of consular from the treasury for such services.

It abolishes tonnage tax as now imposed, and provides in lieu of the same for a duty of three cents per ton at each entry on vessels trading with any port in North or Central America and adjacent islands, including the Sandwich Islands, and six cents per ton at each entry on all vessels from any other foreign port, but it requires the President to suspend collection of so much of this tax on vessels from any foreign port in North or Central America as may be in excess of tonnage and light dues imposed on American vessels by laws of the country in which such port is situated.

As Canada imposes no tax on American vessels, the bill abolishes the tax on vessels trading with Canada after July 1st.

It abolishes the hospital tax for seamen in both coastwise and foreign trade, and provides that the expense of the hospital service shall be defrayed from the tonnage tax.

It provides that the drawbacks of 10 per cent of duty on imported materials for construction of vessels of foreign account on re-exportation shall be allowed when vessels are partly constructed of imported materials in the same manner as when thus wholly constructed.

It makes individual liability of a shipowner to the proportion which his interest bears to the whole.

It provides for the engagement of a seaman to serve on a voyage to any port or for any definite time and exempt vessels making regular and stated trips from paying fees on shipping seamen, and also authorizes the payment of seamen in a foreign port for a definite time or voyage, or provides that seamen so shipped shall not be required to be re-shipped.

It allows painting on the stern of a vessel of the name of the port of registry, or place in the same district where any of the owners live.

It exempts vessels in trade with Canada and Mexico from obligation to pay a tax on passengers so long as no tax is exacted on passengers coming from those countries carried by land carriage.

It repeals all compulsory laws that oblige American vessels to carry mails to or from the United States arbitrarily, such repeal not to take effect until April 1st, 1885.

It gives sailing vessels the same privilege in unloading cargo that are given to steamships.

It provides shipping commissioners shall hereafter be appointed by the secretary of the treasury instead of the circuit courts and shall be subject to regulations presented by him.

It reduces fees for inspectors of steam vessels from \$25 to \$10 for the first hundred tons.

It allows vessels arriving at the port of entry laden with bulky articles like salt, etc., to proceed to places within the collection district to unload under certain regulations.

This bill is almost the only reform measure that it has thus far been possible to get through the present Congress. That

it will greatly relieve the burdens under which American shipping laborers, no one questions. The people of Maine will be deeply gratified at a result so important to the growth and prosperity of the great ship building State of the Union. The wonder is that when a reform is so universally concurred in, that it takes two whole sessions of Congress to secure it. But perhaps we ought to be correspondingly grateful that this do-nothing Congress has been coaxed to do one positively good thing. Our Maine shipping interests may now take new courage.—Bath Times

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